

REMARKS:

Consideration of the above identified application, in view of the above amendments and the following remarks, is respectfully requested.

The amendments to the specification are made for purely formal reasons.

The amendments to the specification include references to the SEQ ID NOs. of sequences identified in the application, completion of the priority information in the first paragraph of the specification and corrections of typographical errors. No new matter has been added by way of these amendments.

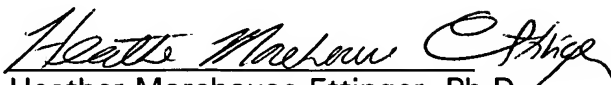
CONCLUSION

Applicants request entry of the foregoing amendment and remarks in this application. In view of the above amendments and remarks, it is respectfully requested that the application be examined on its merits and that all pending claims be allowed and the case passed to issue.

Early and favorable consideration of the enclosed diskette and this paper
are earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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